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Applicant provides this paper in response to the non-final Office Action mailed

July 9, 2007. A Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months is also submitted.

Please amend the application as follows.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 8 of this paper.

I certify that this correspondence, along with any documents referred to therein, is being transmitted by facsimile on January 8, 2007 to Art Unit 3746 at FAX no. 571-273-8300.

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